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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: FRG MAKES PREPARATIONS TO DEPOSIT NPT
RATIFICATION INSTRUMENTS

REFS: (A) ROME 6157, (B) STATE 56063 OF 20 MARCH 1974

BEGIN SUMMARY: WITH THE RATIFICATION OF THE NPT BY THE
ITALIAN SENATE ON APRIL 23 (REFTEL A), THE GERMANS ARE
HOPEFUL THAT ALL NON-NUCLEAR WEAPON EURATOM STATES WILL
BE ABLE TO DEPOSIT THEIR RESPECTIVE RATIFICATION
INSTRUMENTS ON OR ABOUT MAY 2. THE FRG HAS ALREADY
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SENT ITS INSTRUMENTS OF RATIFICATION TO ITS EMBASSIES

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IN WASHINGTON AND LONDON IN PREPARATION FOR EXPEDITIOUS DEPOSIT. WHEN THE INSTRUMENTS ARE DEPOSITED, THE FRG WILL MAKE A "BERLIN DECLARATION" REGARDING THE EXTENSION OF THE NPT TO THAT CITY AND WILL ALSO OFFER A SIX-POINT STATEMENT ON THE TREATY TOGETHER WITH A CONFIDENTIAL EXPLANATION OF THE STATEMENT. THE FRG HAS MADE PLANS TO UPGRADE ITS DELEGATION TO THE NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE SHOULD IT BE ABLE TO DEPOSIT ITS RATIFICATION INSTRUMENTS IN TIME. HOWEVER, THE FRG DOES NOT PLAN TO PLACE ANY CONCRETE PROPOSALS BEFORE THE CONFERENCE. THE GERMANS WILL WISH TO AVOID ANY OUTCOME OF THE REVCON WHICH WOULD REQUIRE NATIONAL RATIFICATION OF PROTOCOLS OR AMENDMENTS TO THE NPT. END SUMMARY

1. THE FRG IS PLEASED THAT THE ITALIAN SENATE HAS ACTED TO RATIFY THE NPT. IN DISCUSSIONS IN GENEVA WITH FELLOW NON-NUCLEAR WEAPON EURATOM STATES ON APRIL 23-24, THE POSSIBILITY OF A COORDINATED DEPOSIT OF THEIR RESPECTIVE INSTRUMENTS OF RATIFICATION WAS DISCUSSED, WITH MAY 2 MENTIONED TENTATIVELY AS A TARGET DATE. THE BRITISH HAVE APPARENTLY ALREADY INDICATED THEIR WILLINGNESS TO "OPEN THE GATES" DURING THIS LONG EUROPEAN HOLIDAY WEEKEND. (COMMENT: THE FRG WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING WHETHER AN APPROPRIATE HIGH-RANKING U.S. OFFICIAL WOULD BE AVAILABLE ON MAY 2 TO RECEIVE THEIR RATIFICATION INSTRUMENT. END COMMENT)

2. WHILE THE GERMANS ARE CONCERNED ABOUT SOME SNAG DEVELOPING IN SECURING THE REQUIRED SIGNATURES IN THE GOI, THEY HAVE ALREADY MADE PREPARATIONS FOR DEPOSITING THEIR NPT INSTRUMENTS OF RATIFICATION IN WASHINGTON AND LONDON. THE APPROPRIATE INSTRUMENTS HAVE BEEN FORWARDED TO THE FRG EMBASSIES IN THOSE CAPITALS. OUR FONOFF SOURCE SAID THE BELGIANS AND DUTCH HAD ALSO SENT THEIR INSTRUMENTS TO WASHINGTON AND LONDON.

3. WHEN THE GERMAN INSTRUMENTS ARE DEPOSITED IN WASHINGTON AND LONDON, THE FRG INTENDS TO DEPOSIT A "BERLIN DECLARATION" AT THE SAME TIME. SINCE EXTENSION OF THE NPT TO BERLIN OCCASIONED AN ORAL SOVIET PROTEST CONFIDENTIAL

LAST YEAR, THE FRG DOES NOT INTEND TO DEPOSIT ANY INSTRUMENT IN MOSCOW. SHOULD THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT CHANGE ITS ATTITUDE, THE FRG WOULD CONSIDER DEPOSITING SUCH AN INSTRUMENT AT A LATER DATE.

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4. THE FRG WILL ALSO MAKE A STATEMENT TO ACCOMPANY THE DEPOSIT OF ITS INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION. WE WERE TOLD THE STATEMENT IS COMPARABLE TO THE ONE PRESENTED TO THE USG ON MARCH 12, 1974 (REFTEL B). OF THE SIX POINTS CONTAINED IN THE STATEMENT, THE THREE STRESSED BY OUR FONOFF SOURCE INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

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" . . . 3. STATES THAT NO PROVISION OF THE
TREATY MAY BE INTERPRETED IN SUCH A WAY AS
TO HAMPER THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF EUROPEAN
UNIFICATION, ESPECIALLY THE CREATION OF A
EUROPEAN UNION WITH APPROPRIATE COMPETENCIES,

" 4. UNDERSTANDS THAT RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT
AND USE OF NUCLEAR ENERGY FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES,
AS WELL AS INTERNATIONAL AND MULTINATIONAL
COOPERATION IN THIS FIELD, MUST NOT BE
HAMPERED BY THE TREATY,

" 5. UNDERSTANDS THAT THE APPLICATION OF
THE TREATY, INCLUDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
SAFEGUARDS, WILL NOT LEAD TO DISCRIMINATION
OF THE GERMAN NUCLEAR INDUSTRY IN INTER-
NATIONAL COMPETITION, . . . "

5.- WE WERE NOT SPECIFICALLY INFORMED THAT THE CONFI-
DENTIAL EXPLANATION WHICH ALLUDED TO THE SO-CALLED
"EUROPEAN OPTION" WOULD ALSO BE OFFERED AT THE SAME
TIME, BUT WE ASSUME THIS TO BE THE CASE. WE NOTE
FROM REFTEL B THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAD NO OBJECTION
TO EITHER DOCUMENT.

6. SHOULD THE GERMANS BE ABLE TO DEPOSIT THEIR
INSTRUMENTS PRIOR TO THE OPENING OF THE NPT REVCON
ON MAY 5, THEY INTEND TO SEND FONOFF STATE MINISTER
KARL MOERSCH TO PRESIDE OVER THE FRG DELEGATION.
MOERSCH HAS ALREADY BEEN PROVISIONALLY INSCRIBED TO
SPEAK AT THE CONFERENCE ON MAY 6. WHILE THE GERMANS
ARE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN THE REVCON AS A
PARTY TO THE TREATY, THEY DO NOT PLAN AT THIS TIME
TO PLACE ANY CONCRETE PROPOSALS BEFORE THE CONFERENCE.
THEY WILL PROBABLY URGE THE SUPERPOWERS TO CONTINUE
THEIR EFFORTS TOWARD NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT IN ACCORDANCE
WITH ARTICLE VI OF THE TREATY. HOWEVER, THE GERMANS
BELIEVE THE REVCON WILL BE BASICALLY A CONFRONTATION
BETWEEN THE INDUSTRIAL AND NON-INDUSTRIAL STATES
RATHER THAN ONE BETWEEN NWS AND NNWS. THE FRG WILL
WISH TO AVOID ANY OUTCOME OF THE REVCON WHICH WOULD
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REQUIRE NATIONAL RATIFICATION OF PROTOCOLS OR AMEND-
MENTS TO THE NPT. THE FRG DOES NOT WANT TO BRING THE
NPT BEFORE THE BUNDESTAG AGAIN.

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7.. WE WERE ASKED FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE FORM WHICH THE USG BELIEVES THE FINAL REPORT OF THE REVCON SHOULD TAKE. THE EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING ANY INFORMATION ON THIS POINT FOR PASSING TO THE FRG. HILLENBRAND

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